

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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PUBLICATION OF MANUSCRIPTS ON THE FREEDOM STRUGGLE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Council of Historical Research had decided to suspend publication of two volumes on the freedom struggle and asked the Oxford University Press to return the manuscripts;
- (b) if so, the details in regard; and
- (c) the stage at which the matter stands at present?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

- (a) & (b) : The ICHR has requested the publisher, the Oxford University Press, to temporarily withhold the work of publication of the two volumes written by Prof. Sumit Sarkar and Prof. K N Panikkar. Typescripts of these volumes have been requested for perusal. The Council has stated that the purpose is to ensure that the lapses and drawbacks found in an earlier volume are not repeated.
- (c) The matter is subjudice.